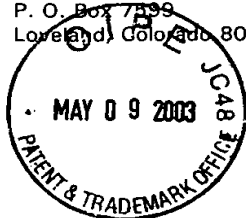


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Inventor(s): John McEntee and Jay Bass

Serial No.: 10/017,107

Examiner: Nghiem, Michael P.

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Title: PRINTHEAD FLUID SUPPLY SYSTEM

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114

() Previously submitted:

() Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

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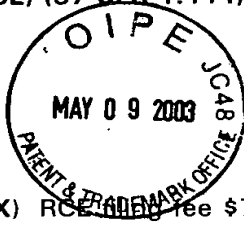
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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Further to the Advisory Action dated February 5, 2003 and the Notice of Appeal filed on March 21, 2003, please enter the following amendment for consideration by the Examiner prior to formulation of an Office Action in the Request for Continued Examination, which is being filed concurrently herewith. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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